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ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM

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TO: Executive Management
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SUBJECT: Eligibility and Enrollment Report for February 1, 2005

The report location:

<http://www.ahcccs.state.az.us/Statistics/>

- The AHCCCS population as of February 1, 2005 was 1,034,836. This figure does not include Healthcare Group of 12,905 or the SLMB/Qualified Individuals of 21,585. By including these populations, the total AHCCCS population would be 1,069,326.
- Below is a summary of the total AHCCCS population:

	6/1/04	7/1/04	8/1/04	9/1/04	10/1/04	11/1/04	12/1/04	1/1/05	2/1/05
AHCCCS Acute	862,537	865,517	883,358	917,148	938,820	959,370	956,440	951,546	944,901
KidsCare	50,373	49,968	49,591	49,148	48,171	47,941	48,061	48,083	49,315
ALTCS	39,094	39,141	39,454	39,720	39,975	40,137	40,312	40,509	40,620*
Total Population	952,004	954,626	972,403	1,006,016	1,026,966	1,047,448	1,044,813	1,040,138	1,034,836

- * This includes the ALTCS population of 40,601 plus 19 under Freedom to Work (FTW). Previously FTW ALTCS members had not been included.
- From December 1, 2004 to January 1, 2005, the population decreased 5,302 or 1%. For the third month the population decreased because of DES' realignment in their workload to annual reviews began to even out.
- The major decreases in the AHCCCS population from January 1st, 2005 to February 1st, 2005 were:
 - 5,269 AHCCCS for Families and Children
 - 1,390 AHCCCS Care
 - 1,346 Emergency Services

NOTE: The eligibility requirements were changed 7/1/02 for the Emergency Services program. Recipients are no longer required to have an emergency episode in order to be eligible, which is the reason for the dramatic increase beginning 8/02. However, only emergency medical services will be covered by AHCCCS, thus, there should not be a high dollar increase in the program.

- The major increases in the AHCCCS population from January 1st, 2005 to February 1st, 2005 were:
 - 1,232 KidsCare
 - 496 AHCCCS for Parents
 - 458 TMA

- The majority of the growth in SOBRA Child and 1931 Related was due to a computer change made by DES that reclassified Newborns (babies under age 1 from the 1931 category to the 1931 Related and SOBRA Child. This switch also could account for some of the decrease in the 1931 category of AHCCCS for Families with Children, which had continually increased since 4/04. There will continue to be a shift of Newborns from 1931 to the 1931 Related category and SOBRA Child both of which include the newborn categories. This change in classification was done to try to ensure that newborns are not erroneously discontinued when other members of the baby's family lose eligibility for some reason that does not impact the baby's 12-month guarantee period, which is granted when a baby is born to an eligible Title XIX mother. The baby is considered a "deemed newborn" and the federal government mandates 12 months of coverage.
- There were 114 discrepancies between the number of individuals eligible and the number enrolled. Capitation adjustments have been made.
- Of the 994,216 Acute Care members (including KidsCare) the following are not eligible for full services:

Family Planning Services Only	7,714	
Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Only	1,418	
Federal Emergency Services	<u>72,751</u>	
Total	81,883	(8.2% of Acute Care Population)

- The Medicare Cost Sharing programs in addition to QMB are:

	5/1/04*	6/1/04*	7/1/04*	8/1/04	9/1/04	10/1/04	11/1/04	12/1/04	1/1/05	2/1/05
Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries (SLMB)	12,216	13,259	12,958	12,971	13,300	13,532	13,998	13,677	13,512	13,564
Qualified Individuals I	5,798	6,029	6,156	6,451	6,837	7,227	7,606	7,351	7,395	8,021
Total	18,014	19,288	19,114	19,422	20,137	20,759	21,604	21,028	20,907	21,585

*Beginning March 2004 figures may be inaccurate due to system conversion. Statistics will be updated when reporting feature is fully implemented in ACE.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please call me at 602-417-4590 or 1-800-654-8713 ext. 74590.

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